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TENNIS TEAM SWINGS INTO ACTION

The Panthers next matches are this Friday as they head to SIUC for the Saluki Fall Classic.

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Kappa Delta Phi Honor Fraternity and Student Reading Council host the Scholastic book fair in room 1320 Buzzard Hall.

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Students flip out with Cambodian acrobats



OLIVIA SWENSON-HULTZ | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Acrobats, who graduated from the Phare Ponleu Selpak Circus School in Battambang, Cambodia, perform during "Phare the Cambodian Circus, Khmer Village" in the Theatre of the Doudna Fine Arts Center Monday night.

Teach-In informs students on election topics

By: Samuel Nusbaum
Administration reporter | @DEN_Newsdesk

The history department, Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism and student government teamed up to conduct a teach-in.

The teach-in addressed current political issues, discussed the history of both major political parties and focused on major issues during the election.

Mark Hubbard, history professor, talked about the Republican Party and focused on where the party is now and how it got to where

it is.

Hubbard said the Republican Party largely draws on white America, whereas the Democratic Party is able to draw on a more diverse group of people from all types of backgrounds.

He also brushed on the history of African American voters in America and their shift from the Republicans to the Democrats.

"The Republican Party launched itself as a party opposed to the further expansion of slavery, which those free blacks living in the North who could vote had been agitating for a long time," Hubbard said.

Hubbard said the switch was made in the 1930s due to the Great Migration, a mass migration of African-Americans from the south to the north found out they could vote. The Democrats then made an effort to get the African-Americans votes.

The second thing to cause the switch came from the New Deal, where President Roosevelt invested money into African-American communities.

Hubbard also brought up the Civil Rights Act effectively changing the allegiance. Barry Goldwater, the Republican Presidential nominee at

the time, opposed the act itself.

Kevin Anderson, a political science professor, talked about the Democratic Party.

He said Democrats tend to advocate for equality, though he admits this is a broad generalization.

"Everybody should have the chance to step in, voice their opinion, go to school and work hard," Anderson said.

He also said Republicans tend to advocate for freedom.

"I should have the freedom to do what I want," Anderson said.

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Reggie Phillips discusses Eastern's negative portrayal

By Analicia Haynes
Managing Editor | @Haynes1943

Republican representative Reggie Phillips discussed the negative light Eastern was put under last year as a result of the budget crisis during his office hours Monday night.

Phillips said the enrollment statistics that came out in the papers did not look good and said negative publicity created that situation.

"We cried wolf so loud that the total focus was on us," Phillips said, regarding the FundEIU and other rallies that filled the campus last year.

Phillips argued that FundEIU should have included other Illinois public universities such as Western and Chicago State.

However, according to articles from February and April of last semester in The Daily Eastern News, several groups organized rallies with other public universities about the budget impasse.

These rallies include the rally organized by Chicago State in Springfield on Feb. 17 and the Eastern's chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois organized rally in Chicago in April.

"I've said this time and time again and I told the president 'I don't know how you can get a

handle on this but (FundEIU) needs to have a collective group all working toward (the lack of budget), not one group. So I think the focus became us and I think that is what dropped us down a little bit more than the other (universities)," Phillips said.

Phillips said the perception FundEIU made about Eastern was if the university did not receive any funds then it would close and as a result that perception became a reality for incoming students.

"We were going to fund EIU and we are going to fund EIU and higher education in 2017,"

Phillips said. "I do not want to go down the same rabbit hole we just went through."


However, Phillips said he does not believe it will take years to overcome the struggles Eastern went through and the next step is to market the university and focus on reforms.

ed to bring marketing gurus here and we need to get the money, that's what we need or private donations to put a fund together for marketing," Phillips said. "If you're not on I-57 with Eastern Illinois University lining the side of the road then we need to be, we need to bring (students)

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Local weather

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Scholastic book fair hosted at Buzzard

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Kappa Delta Pi Honor Fraternity and the Student Reading Council organized their annual Scholastic book fair from 9:45a.m. to 4:45p.m. The book fair will run from Monday Sept. 12 through Thursday Sept. 15 and Monday Sept. 19 through Wednesday Sept. 21 in room 1320 at Buzzard Hall.

Co-advisor of the Student Reading Council, Denise Reid said the education department has hosted the book fair for more than a decade, but have jointly hosted the book fair with Kappa Delta Pi for four years.

Normally, Kappa Delta Pi and the Student Reading Council hold a book fair once every semester, but this school year the organizations will only be hosting one Scholastic book fair due to low enrollment numbers and funding.

The Student Reading Council is for education majors and promotes reading. They meet throughout the year and talk about books, give people ideas when they go into practicum and read poetry, nonfiction and fiction.

“Usually, we draw students majoring in elementary level (education), but that doesn’t mean we wouldn’t welcome others,” co-advisor of Student Reading Council, Debbie Harrison said.

According to co-advisor of Kappa Delta Pi April Flood and Harrison, the money raised from the book fair will be used for events for both organizations, but is mainly used to purchase books that the Student Reading Council can give away at readings.

The purchased books are also given away at their booth at the annual Festival of the Young Child in Mattoon at the Cross County Mall on the Day of the Young Child.

The Day of the Young Child is a celebration for education of young children.

The Student Reading Council hosts a small read-a-long and then give a book away to every child that participates.

“By doing (this fundraiser) we make money so we can get those books,” Dawn Paulson, co-advisor for Kappa Delta Pi said. “This way we get quality books, and kids can pick any



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Education department professor April Flood recommends various children’s books to senior elementary education major Angelina Adams during the Scholastic Book Fair.

book they want.”

The books offered at the fair vary from picture books such as Eric Litwin’s “Pete the Cat” to chapter books such as Jeff Kinney’s “Diary of a Wimpy Kid.” If shoppers cannot find a book on the shelves, they also have the option of shopping online at bookfais.scholastic.com/homepage/easternilluniversity.

“Books are where words and imagination collide’ and that’s a big deal,” said Harrison. “There are so many

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STATE AND NATION BRIEFS
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Pipeline controversy continues in North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. — A federal judge kept in place Monday a previous work-stoppage order on a small portion of the nearly 1,200-mile (1931 km) Dakota Access oil pipeline while federal agencies review construction permits for the site, which the Standing Rock Sioux tribe says is sacred ground. But much has yet to be settled when it comes to the pipeline that’ll run from North Dakota to Illinois, including whether the company will respond to the federal agencies’ request for a voluntary, broader work stoppage in that area.

on a segment of the Dakota Access pipeline that the tribe says holds sacred sites and artifacts.

Illinois health care debt continues to increase

AP—Illinois’ debt to the state’s health care providers continues to grow in the wake of the failure by legislators and the governor to agree on a budget.

ity, when she was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 2003. He was unable to attend. The popular Catholic nun was canonized by Pope Francis at St. Peter’s Square on Sept. 4.

Policeman sued after alleged assault of disabled man

AP—The woman who ran the University of Illinois’ largest campus after its chancellor abruptly resigned has been promoted to be the No. 2 administrator in the university system.

MAN CHARGED WITH 2005 MURDER

Illinois man exchanges letters with late Mother Teresa

STREATOR, Ill. — Not too many people can say they had a letter correspondence with a saint. But Paul Ahearn can. Beginning in 1985, Ahearn, of Streator, and Mother Teresa of Calcutta exchanged letters — about 30 of them — all the way until a few months before she died Sept. 5, 1997, at age 87. Ahearn even received a personal invitation from Mother Teresa’s order, the Missionaries of Char-

CHICAGO — A federal lawsuit alleges that a longtime Chicago police officer beat a mentally disabled man while off duty last year, sticking his gun in his mouth and filing a false police report to cover up the incident. The suit was filed Friday on behalf of Oeinna Jackson, the aunt and legal guardian of 19-year-old Nathaniel Taylor, who has a cognitive disability. Taylor was treated at a local hospital and sent to the Cook County Jail on charges of assaulting a police officer and resisting arrest, the lawsuit says.

University of Illinois chancellor promoted

BELLEVILLE, Ill. — A one-time suspect in the stabbing deaths of three people at a southern Illinois beauty salon more than a decade ago has been charged with murder in the case in an indictment unsealed Monday. Samuel L. Johnson, 50, of St. Louis was charged with first-degree murder Friday, according to the indictment, The Belleville News Democrat reported. Johnson is accused in the March 2, 2005, killings of 79-year-old Doris Fischer, her sister 82-year-old Dorothy Bone and their hairdresser, 62-year-old Michael Cooney at Cooney’s home salon in Belleville.

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Staff Editorial

Inmates need proper care for mental health issues

When 55 percent of male inmates and 73 percent of female inmates have a mental illness in the U.S., according to The Atlantic, The News believes proper health care should be provided for those with a mental illness.

The two most common mental illnesses for inmates are depression and bipolar disorder.

Even if a crime is directly connected to a suspect or inmates' mental illness, it is important they are treated appropriately when interacting with police officers and moving forward to get the help they need.

An argument going against these services for inmates might be that people should not have to fund mental health care for criminals, but it is a part of their amenities and rights.

Had a suspect been placed in the proper facility rather than using prisons as asylums in the first place, this would be less of an issue.

According to The News' Monday brief from the Associated Press, part of a mental health center in Chicago will be repurposed to provide Illinois inmates with treatment for those with these illnesses.

This repurposing of the service center is a part of a settlement after a 2007 lawsuit against Ill. ordered to provide better care for mentally ill inmates.

When those with mental illnesses are incarcerated with little to no treatment or improper treatment, the chances of progression for them once they are released greatly increases.

Treatment can also improve the environment in prisons for those with mental illnesses and have life or long-term sentences.

This not only includes inmates battling with a mental illness, but also deals with inmates and drug addictions, many of which are very similar to dealing with mental health issues.

Many, but not all, who are incarcerated based on these problems have poor education and come from poverty, and without the right resources, they will not be able to permanently step back into freedom even if they are released.

Those who are released and are dealing with an illness or addiction often end up back in jail or prison shortly after their sentence because they did not have the resources to get their lives back on track.

Although providing the proper resources to inmates with addiction and mental illnesses may be costly for prisons, the chances of those same inmates returning because of the same crimes would lessen with proper treatment.

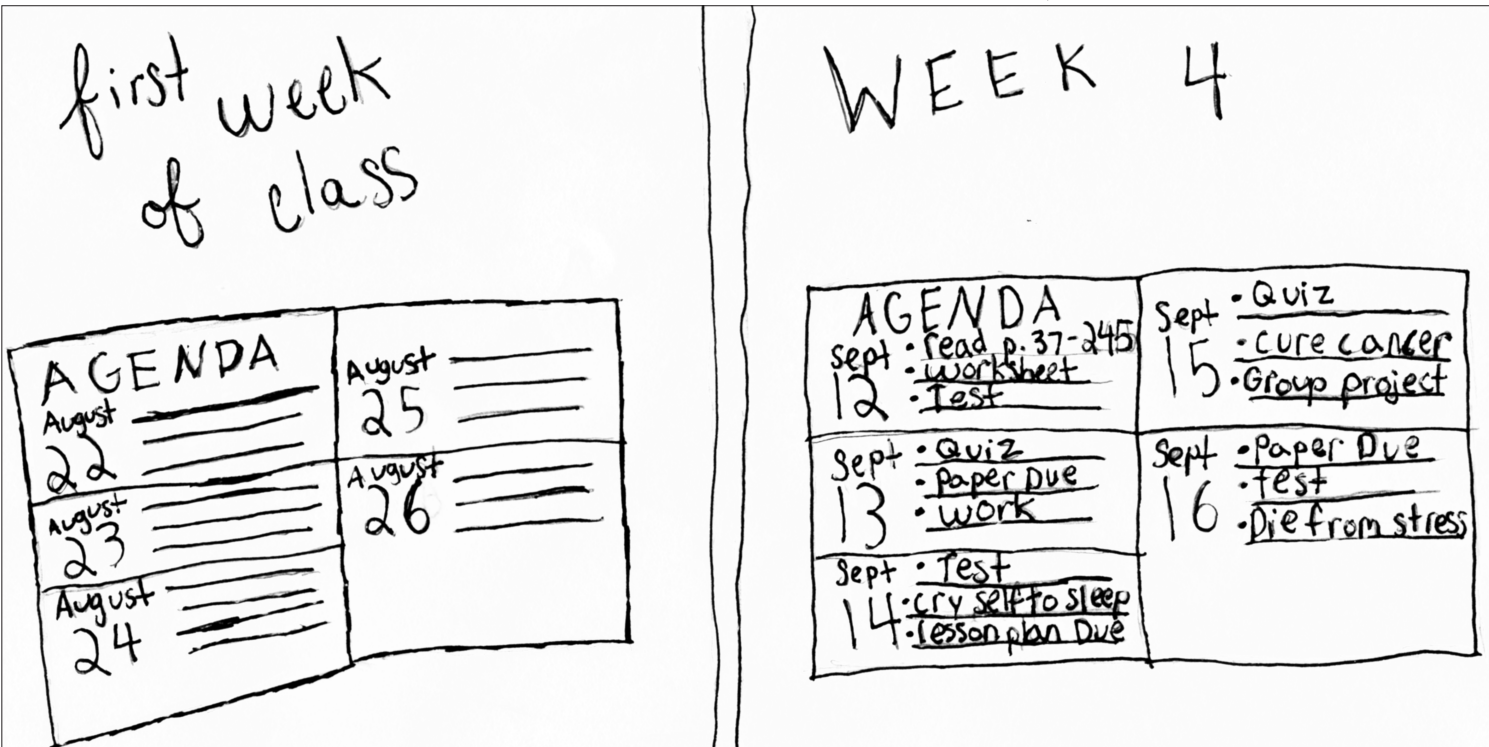
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Political Letters

In order to offer the best, most up-to-date coverage on the upcoming 2016 presidential election, the opinions page is actively looking for politically-minded guest columns and letters. We are particularly interested in political science students, but writers from all disciplines are, of course, welcome.

If you wish to send a letter, please email a 250-word or fewer piece to the opinion editor at opinions.den@gmail.com. If you want to write a guest column, email your ideas, angle or lead to the same address.

That Escalated Quickly



SIERRA FALK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Health, fitness are achievable with effort

Many people today want to be healthy, but do they know what to do in order to get that point? It always seems difficult to dedicate time slots to working out, finding nutritious food and getting enough sleep, but it is possible with determination, motivation and dedication.

Because there so many diseases like diabetes, high blood pressure, obesity and heart disease in the world, everyone is at risk and should understand how these diseases change people's lives and how to decrease their own disease risk. But a challenge that some people come across is that they do not know where to even start. Luckily, every day is a new day and a new opportunity to start working toward becoming a better you.

Being healthy is not just what you eat, but also what you do. Becoming active is a vital aspect to a healthier life because it burns calories, releases endorphins, gives you more energy and decreases your risks of obesity, diabetes and depression. It may seem impossible at first, but if you make the decision to become more active and dedicate a specific time to working out, chances are that you will follow through.

You could also break up the amount of physical activity you do in a day so exercise is not overbearing and so it can fit into your schedule better.



Georgia Danos

Not only does breaking up your workout fit your schedule better, but it also gives you a goal to set. Setting goals and achieving them is the motivational aspect of becoming a healthier you.

Working out is part of this whole process, but what you eat is another huge aspect of achieving your end goal. Have you ever heard of the saying, "you are what you eat?" You cannot feed your body food that has no nutritional benefit and expect results. The best thing to do is to buy healthy, beneficial food instead of junk. Protein, carbohydrates and fats are good for the body, but you must be mindful of the source. For ex-

ample, if I eat a double cheeseburger with fries compared to a grilled chicken breast with broccoli, which one do you think is more beneficial for your body? I think we can agree the chicken and broccoli, but the double cheeseburger with fries has protein, carbohydrates and fats. The double cheeseburger with fries, however, is filled with grease and saturated fat. Incorporating fruits, vegetables and clean foods into your diet will help you reach your goal of becoming healthier.

Sleep is an essential and vital part of becoming healthier because you need to rest your body and mind. Just like we have to charge our phones in order for them to work throughout the day, we need to charge ourselves with sleep in order to be productive throughout the day. Sleep also contributes to your metabolism so if you do not get enough sleep, your metabolic rate will slow down.

Getting into a good sleeping pattern is all about a routine. So at the end of the day, relax, stay motivated, stay positive and believe in yourself that you can become a healthier person.

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Talk about tragedies in the classroom

The education system needs to be encouraging conversation about tragedies occurring not only in local communities but also worldwide.

These conversations not only make students feel as though they have support from their teachers, but also encourage academic discussion about topics pertaining to the real world.

In an article written by Alexandra Pannoni titled, "How High School Educators Should Address Traumatic Events in Class," a lot of excellent advice is given as far as how to handle these situations.

The article explains that educators should be talking about these situations and should avoid telling students that they cannot talk about them. Pannoni points out that if we do not allow students to voice their concerns, it can actually lead to students being more angry or upset.

Pannoni also points out that when we do talk about it, then we must stick to facts, and we must realize that the conversation can get quite heated. For instance, the shooting that happened in Orlando, Florida at the Pulse Nightclub, or even 9/11, are both topics that can polarize students, but both are highly relevant today.

As a budding teacher, I felt as though learning the best way to deal with tragedies in the classroom was really important.

While talking about tragedy was encouraged, they then went on to say that there should be a counselor present, and they should not facilitate the



Alex Bonnot

conversations in class.

While I understand that the return to normalcy is crucial in a time of tragedy, I do not think we should ignore these conversations simply because the students are in a classroom.

If we silence students in the classroom by telling them they must wait until a counselor is present or that they have to wait until after class, then how can students be expected to feel comfortable and supported in the classroom?

Ignoring student's pleas to want to understand these situations can cause them to react in an angry manner, and can actually make them shut down in the classroom.

I know that if I were told that I had to wait until the right moment, I would end up not talking about it at all.

While I understand that a teacher cannot spend a whole class period talking about the tragedy, I think that if a student asks a question, it is okay to take time out of the lesson to talk about such serious topics.

A big part of being a teacher is making connections with students. Part of making those connections is giving support to those students, even when that support seemingly does not pertain to the classroom.

It may seem that these discussions have no relevance to the classroom, which is not necessarily true. These discussions can be excellent opportunities to teach students how to talk to their peers in an appropriate manner, and encouraging understanding for other's opinions.

Support is something we should give students at all times. While there are cases that should be directed to a school psychologist or counselor (i.e. students who are showing signs of being extremely distressed), students should be allowed to ask questions, and have those questions answered without waiting for the "right" moment.

There is never a right moment to talk about tragedy, but that is why we should encourage students to ask questions, and not just to certain people.

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He said there needs to be a balance between freedom and equality and that too much freedom intrudes on equality and too much equality takes away freedoms.

Lynne Curry, a history professor, talked about the U.S. Supreme Court in presidential elections and why they are important to follow.

She talked about the issues that are related to the students and she pointed out a lot of recent court rulings.

“Everything from marriage equality to statements about clarifications about reproductive rights, how the Affordable Care Act will play out in the states,” Curry said.

She talked about the vacant seat left by Justice Antonin Scalia and how the seat has yet to be filled, leading to a six-month vacancy, the longest in U.S. history.

Anderson talked a second time, this time it was about race relations.

Anderson said he observed people who think race issues were solved with the election of President Barack Obama, and said in reality more issues are being brought up to the surface, causing clashes.

He said it comes down to a philosophical question.

“How can I treat you equally without treating you the same? If equality is a fundamental construct, then what we have to do is take each individual group in context,” Anderson said. “You can’t treat everybody exactly the same and say you are treating them equally.”

An example he gave was while watching a football game, he heard a commentator talk about how there were twice as many women’s restrooms as there were men’s.

Anderson said since people are different, providing the same amount of restrooms does not count as equality.



Lynne Curry discusses the currently vacant chair on the United States Supreme Court during “Teach-in: Current Political Issues” in the Oakland Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Monday.

Debra Reid, a history professor and publicity chair of the teach-in, showed the people in attendance a website which compares the stances of every candidate on multiple issues.

After the teach-in was done, Anderson said he was on the program to discuss race, but since Andrew McNitt, political science professor, was not in attendance to talk about the Democrats, he took over.

Anderson said a friend of his wrote a book about targeting voters and this helped him with

his talk.

Targeting is a political resource allotment practice, where a party will send money, volunteers and time to political campaigns. Resources are sent depending on whether the candidate is in a tough fight, or if the party thinks the candidate can win but needs a little push.

Anderson said the turnout for the teach-in was fine and the turnout will get better as the country moves closer to election day.

Reid said the lecture went well considering

bid day was happening at the same time.

She said she would have liked to hear more about women’s rights issues but overall was happy that all of the political issues were brought up.

She said democracy is a messy form of government that relays on participation and for people to voice their opinions on issues.

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in here because this is a great place to get a great education.”

Phillips said Eastern is easy to watch over because of the current administration and new leadership, referring to Eastern President Da-

vid Glassman.

“I believe that this new leadership they’ve got the right people put together and I think (Glassman) is going to do his very best to try to grow Eastern,” Phillips said.

Phillips said this “budget mess” created a lot of problems for everybody, but Eastern has pulled through and now everyone needs to fo-

cus on reforms.

“If we don’t get some reforms then the state of Illinois is going to continue down the path we’ve been on,” Phillips said. “Many more people are coming onto the realization that we have to have a reform.”

Phillips said universities are economic drivers and reforms include changing K-12 educa-

tion to make sure more students who graduate high school are college ready.

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and a photo booth!*

**Come back tomorrow to get the scoop on what’s
happening at EIU and in Charleston!**

Rush Hour



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Sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta skip, jog and walk to their chapter house after bid day Monday. This year’s sorority bid day was held in both Ballrooms of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, which is different than the usually outside setting at which it is held.

The New York Times Crossword

Note: The ninth annual Lollapuzzoola crossword tournament, directed by Brian Cimmer and Patrick Blindauer, took place Saturday, Aug. 13, at All Souls Church in Manhattan. This puzzle appeared in a prior tournament and had a 15-minute time limit.

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1 Computers that are un-PC
5 With 9-Across, an auto ad slogan
9 With 5-Across, quickly
13 Workplace protection agcy.
14 “My Heart Can’t Take _____ More” (1963 Supremes song)
15 Two cents, so to speak
17 “Pay me later” marker
18 Sly look
19 Salon jobs, for short
20 Casino game that looks like a thou in reverse
21 Grouches
23 Lawyer’s org.
24 With 26-Across, 1982 Al Pacino film
- 26 With 24-Across, 1962 P. G. Wodehouse book
28 Bonkers
30 Horsefeathers
32 Spanish treasure
33 Ottoman bigwigs
36 Colors, as Easter eggs
40 With 42-Across, Frank Sinatra signature song
42 With 40-Across, where Broadway is
44 Hamlet or Ophelia
45 Scanty, in London
47 Prefix with lateral
48 They turn litmus paper red
50 Monk’s superior
52 With 55-Across, town crier’s cry
55 With 52-Across, Aaron Copland ballet
58 Pipe fitting
- 59 Equivalent of C natural
61 ____ A Sketch
64 Samuel on the Supreme Court
66 Cross inscription
67 Final Four grp.
68 River near the Vatican
69 British prep school
70 Resistance units
71 With 72-Across, noted maximum security prison
72 With 71- and 72-Across, classic Louis Prima tune
73 “____ ME” (phrase written on dirty cars)

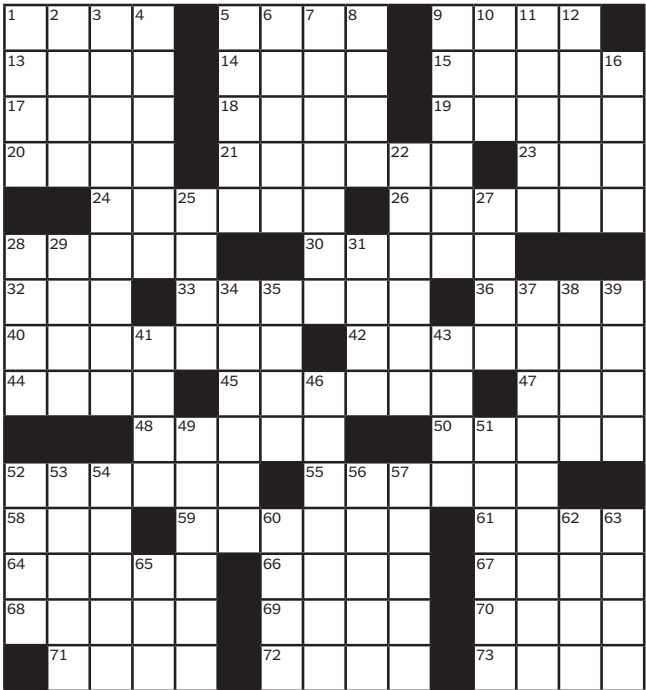
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Garoppolo versus Brady: First career starts

By Sean Hastings
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Jimmy Garoppolo is better than Tom Brady. No, not really, but Garoppolo did do better in his first career NFL start than the best quarterback to play the game. Yes, the eras were completely different, with Garoppolo making his start in 2016 and Brady in 2001, but number-wise, the Eastern alum did better.

Sunday Night Football, the biggest game of the day on Sundays. It's nationally televised, and it's the game that everyone has a chance to see. So Garoppolo's first career start had everyone's attention.

The big question for these four games without Brady is whether or not Garoppolo can handle being the Patriots starting quarterback, and after looking at his first game, yes he can.

Garoppolo and Brady were both 24 years old when they made their first career starts. Both quarterbacks came out with victories. Brady's win was a bit more convincing than Garoppolo's.

Brady beat the Indianapolis Colts 44-13, and Garoppolo and the 2016 Patriots just snuck by the Arizona Cardinals 23-21. That game came down to the wire, as the Cardinals could not get a clean snap and hold on a field goal with under a minute to play.



But if you look at it, with the circumstances surrounding "Jimmy G's" start, he was facing one of the best defenses and came out on top.

Garoppolo was 24-for-33 with 264 passing yards and one touchdown in his first career start with a passer rating of 106.1.

Brady was 13-for-23 with 168 passing yards and a 79.6 passer rating and no touchdown passes.

Garoppolo's big first game should not be something to get all hyped about, but for him, these four games are almost like a tryout for him because Brady will take back his starting role for the fifth game of the season.

Garoppolo's four games are not only a tryout to show New England what he can do in his time as their starter, replacing Brady, but it gets his name out to the rest of the league who may be ready to give him a contract and be the starter right away.



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Jimmy Garoppolo scans the field for an open receiver in a game during his time at Eastern. The quarterback recently made his first career NFL start as a member of the New England Patriots.

It's not a bad gig he has in New England with Brady as a mentor and being on one of the best franchises in the NFL, always making noise throughout the season.

Garoppolo's first start came on the road, now he gets to go back home and play in New England for the next three games with the fans in the crowd supporting him, rather than the Arizona fans trying to get him off his game.

Even on the road he handled the pres-

sure in his first start, one, being on national TV on Sunday Night Football, the rest should be easy right?

If you didn't know it was his first career start in the NFL, it would not have been very obvious that it was. Besides one fumble, which even the best quarterbacks do from time to time, he looked poised in the pocket and made some good throws.

On his first drive he marched the Patriots down field in about four minutes

and connected with Chris Hogan for a 37-yard, Brady-like touchdown pass. He floated the ball perfectly to the wide-open Hogan.

Garoppolo and the rest of the Patriots will host the Miami Dolphins next week in Foxborough, Mass. at Gillette Stadium.

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COLUMN

Panthers find small improvements in first win

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After rushing for 102 yards and allowing 38 points to Western Illinois, the Eastern football team answered back in a special way defeating Miami of Ohio 21-17 on Saturday.

Not only did the Panthers knock off a FBS opponent for the sixth time in program history, but the team also saw both sides of the ball improve immensely from week one.

Eastern topped Miami Ohio by averaging 4.1 yards per carry as well as 142 total rushing yards in the game.

While those aren't eye-popping numbers, Eastern coach Kim Dameron said improving the run game was important heading into the matchup with



Miami.

The best Panther rusher on the night was not an expected candidate.

Eastern starting quarterback Mitch Kimble averaged 4.9 yards per carry and a total of 49 yards from 10 attempts on the ground in the game.

The rest of the Panthers run game was anchored by senior Devin Church and redshirt junior Korliss Marshall, the duo combined for 77 yards on 22 rushes.

There is clearly still room for improvement for a team that has always leaned on its run game, but it's no easy task to rack up 142 yards against a FBS team.

It is also important to mention that Eastern was trailing 17-7 through three quarters and was forced to rely on its passing game in order to complete the comeback.

Kimble led the Panthers by airing it out and scoring 14 unanswered points, but it was Eastern's defense that proved to be the difference.

The Panthers not only held Miami to just seven points in the second half, but they also limited the Redhawks to 3.5 yards per carry on the ground.

When a team is trailing, stopping the run game is one of the most impor-

tant aspects of completing the comeback.

Eastern also came up in a big way by not leaving its defense on the field for long late in the game.

The Redhawks final three drives of the game were all less than four minutes, and resulting in no points.

The Panthers took advantage of a missed field goal in the fourth from Miami and were able to cut the deficit because of it.

The improvement on defense led to a win in the game and a mental win for the team as a whole.

After allowing 38 points to the Leathernecks a week ago, the Panthers responded by dominating field position and time of possession.

After the loss to Western, Dameron

said leaving the defense on the field too long hurt his team, and the Panthers showed otherwise this past weekend.

That hard-nose defense and run game will need to continue to improve as Eastern now turns its focus to next week.

The Panthers have a tough task ahead of them as it is about that time for the Mid-America Classic with Illinois State.

Eastern is hitting the road this time around after hosting the Redbirds last year and coming up just short.

The Panthers defense allowed 34 points in that overtime loss, so they try to flip the script Saturday afternoon.

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Women’s tennis team swings into action



Senior Kelly Iden during the OVC tournament singles matches on April 1, 2016. Iden defeated Austin Peay's Lidia Yanes Garcia 6-2 on the first day of the tournament and was defeated by Tennessee-Martin's Sarah Candeloro 6-2, 6-4 on day two.

By Parker Valentine
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The women’s tennis team opened play on Saturday and after weather forced the invite to a two-day format, the Panther’s finished play on Sunday afternoon. Freshman Stella Cliffe, Sophomore Shristi Slaria, Senior Maria Moshteva, Freshman Emily

Pugachevsky, Senior Kamile Stadalninkaite and Sophomore Abby Carpenter were all in singles and doubles action Saturday, as well as Sunday.

Cliffe, Slaria, Moshteva, and Stadalninkaite played three singles and three doubles on both Saturday and Sunday.

Pugachevsky played two singles and two doubles both days, as she was eased back from injury. Carpenter played three singles and two doubles on both days.

The invite matches were Cliffe and Pugachevsky’s first matches as college athletes, with Pugachevsky earning her first career win Saturday against Bradley’s Malini Wijesinghe (6-4, 6-4).

The Panthers other victories came in singles by Carpenter against Bradley’s Kathryn Adelman (6-4, 7-6) and in doubles by Slaria and Cliffe against Bradley’s Aimee Manfredo and Ariel Dechter. (6-1).

The two statistically most successful players for Eastern were sidelined with illness. Junior Grace Summers and Senior Kelly Iden were both ruled out before the meet by Coach Emily Wang.

Both Iden and Summers are expected to be back, as well as play at peak performance when they are fully healthy and ready to go. The fact that Pugachevsky gained a win in her first invite as a college athlete speaks to the amount of time that goes in to preparation at practice, even if you are not set to play in the scheduled event.

Coach Wang was asked about the injuries and sidelining ailments.

“We are working hard to rehab and heal the current injuries and will do some preventative strengthening work in order to keep injuries to a minimum,” she said.

The Panthers next matches are this Friday as they head to SIUC for the Saluki Fall Classic.

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Women’s Golf team tee’s off at Murray State

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It is that time of year again, the Eastern women’s golf season is underway. The women are on the road for two days in Ledbetter, Kentucky at the Murray State Drake Creek Invitational.

The women are out on the golf course proving that they can improve from their struggles last season. Monday the ladies shot 36-holes at the Drake Creek Golf Course, they will shoot another 18 holes today to wrap-up the invite.

Dating back to last season, Junior Anne Bahr was the top Eastern

“Had we played to our potential we could have ranked better.”

-Chloe Wong, Senior Golfer

ern finisher placing 44th after a second round total of 80 that gave her a two-round score of 164 in the Murray State Invitational. She continued that success with a total score of 82 the first round and 75 the second round totaling 157 to best last seasons results.

Senior Chloe Wong finished second on the team with a score of 77 and 85 for a two-round total 162, followed by senior Alexandra Pickens putting up an 84 and

93 to post a 177 score through the first two rounds. The rest of the team followed with sophomore Katlyn Hasprey with a total score 179 and senior Maddy Burgett with 181.

With some success in round one for the ladies, their round one score was 327, second round dropped off just a little bit falling to 345 to bring the team total 672 for the opening day of the invite.

With Murray State winning it all just a year ago, Eastern will

look to prevent that from happening again.

The Murray State Drake Creek Invite marks the beginning of the season and final season wearing the panther blue uniform for senior Chloe Wong

“I still can’t believe I’m a senior,” Wong said. “It just seems like yesterday when I started college. This year is going to be very bittersweet. I am going to enjoy my last season and do the best I possibly can. I’m setting goals and I hope to achieve them”

Day one is in the books and Wong expects the team to have better results on day two.

“Had we played to our poten-

tial we could have ranked better,” Wong said. “After the two rounds today, we did not place extremely well compared to all other teams, but we expect to do better tomorrow”

As the struggles seem to continue for the women as this season kicked off, team chemistry and unity will play a big factor this season to become a better unit than a year ago.

With another day of rounds tomorrow, the women will try for better results than they had on day one.

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Stat Attack

4 — Number of goals the women’s soccer team scored in the weekend series against IUPUI (1-2) and Northern Iowa (3-0). The four goals matched the teams previous goal total through the first three goals.

6 — Saturday’s 21-17 win over Miami-Ohio was the sixth win over an FBS program in school history. Eastern’s last win over an FBS opponent came in a 40-19 win over San Diego State in 2013. Trailing 14-17 with under a minute to play Mitch Kimble connected with Devin Church for a 7-yard TD pass, a Nick Bruno extra point put the Panthers up for good.

33 — Eastern Women’s golfer, Anne Bahr is tied-33 after two rounds at the Murray State Drake Creek Invitational in Ledbetter, Ky. Bahr (82-75—157) leads all Panther golfers. Eastern (671) as a team is in 12th place in the 12 team event.

125 — Sophomore Taylor Smith leads the volleyball team in points with 125. The next Panther is junior Maria Brown with 103. Smith scored 41 points in the recent four-team Panther Classic at Lantz Arena on her way to earning all-tournament honors.